STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FULTON CITY OF SOUTH FULTON

RES2019-026

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH FULTON TO RESOLVE LAND AND DEVELOPMENT DISPUTES WITH UNION CITY AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES

## (Sponsored by Councilperson Gilyard)

**WHEREAS**, the City of South Fulton ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia;

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City is the Mayor and City Council ("City Council");

WHEREAS, one of the essential responsibilities of local government is the protection of its communities, land and territorial boundaries;

**WHEREAS**, it is further an essential responsibilities of local government to ensure that land is developed and managed in a manner that does not threaten the heath, safety and general welfare of visitors and residents;

**WHEREAS**, proper and sustainable land development is critical to public health, survivability and the management of land, water, biodiversity and other environmental resources;

**WHEREAS**, positive land use is the backbone to a healthy community and economy and provides substantial economic and social benefits;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires through this Resolution to initiate a dialogue with Union City towards resolution of disputes and concerns regarding territorial boundaries and land development; and

**WHEREAS**, this Resolution is in the best interests of the general welfare of the City, its residents and general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL as follows:

 <u>Section 1.</u> The City Attorney and City Manager are hereby directed to commence negotiations with the City Manager and City Attorney of Union City towards bringing the cities together to discuss resolution of issues between the Cities pertaining to land use, acquisition and development.

<u>Section 2.</u> It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that: (a) All sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Resolution are or were, upon their enactment, believed by the City Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.

(b) To the greatest extent allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution. No section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution.

(c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Resolution shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the City Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Resolution.

<u>Section 3.</u> All Resolutions and parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

<u>Section 4.</u> The effective date of this Resolution shall be the date of adoption unless provided otherwise by the City Charter or state and/or federal law.

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 28th day of May 2019.

CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA

WILLIAM "BILL" EDWARDS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

S. DIANE WHITE, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

EMILIA C. WALKER, CITY ATTORNEY

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83	Councilmember Gilyard, who moved			by
84	Councilmember Rowell, and being put to	o a vote, the result was a	s follows:	
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